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Oregon Tualatin Valley Amateur Radio Club

Since 1978

The Oregon Tualatin Valley Amateur Radio Club is a special service club related to ARRL: The National Association for Amateur Radio. We seek to advance the Amateur Radio Service through:

- ⇒ Education and Training of new and licensed amateurs
- ⇒ Public Service and Emergency communication
- ⇒ Hobby nets, contests and meetings
- ⇒ Social events

Membership is available to anyone interested in amateur radio. A license is not required.

NEW CLUB ADDRESS: 880 NE 25th Ave Ste 2-160, Hillsboro OR 97124-6258

CLUB Meeting - Wednesday, September 14th

September is our annual "tail gate flea market." From 6:30 - 7:30 we'll offer an outdoor flea market for our members. What do you have that another member will swap for or buy from you? Our business and program will follow indoors at 7:35 pm.

A report on the result of our bylaw amendment election will be included. Ballots will be received at the meeting until 7:00 pm.

Our program features Mike Tondreau W7BBR. He will report on broadcast digital television. He is an engineer with KOPB television. They are one of the leading stations in the move to DTV programming transmission. He may do an off-air demo for us as well.

We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at the Beaverton Elks' Club, 3500 SW 104th Ave, Beaverton.

See you on September 14th.

KK7TN PARAGRAPHS Don Stettler KK7TN

Labor Day has always seemed more like the start of a new year than New Year's Day to me. Most likely that feeling comes from my years as a student when I started a new grade in school with a new teacher and new books. It was a time when I got some new clothes and shoes. Getting new clothes was usually the case but at the beginning of my sophomore year in high school my mother was too busy to take me clothes shopping and I wore the same shirt with a banana for a solid week. Don't laugh. I was not paid for my work on the farm so I was very dependent on my parents to take me clothes shopping. But at least one fellow student noticed I had been wearing the same shirt all week and started calling me bananas. When I told my mom she was aghast and got me downtown in a hurry.

I believe that September in many ways means a new start for our club too. SEA-PAC and Field Day are behind us at this time of year and planning for next year's events begins anew. It is this time of year that the elections committee is activated to begin the challenge of finding members who will agree to run for office. Claire, N7CM; John, WA7BRZ; and Phil, K2ASP have agreed to serve on the committee this year. ***See PARAGRAPHS - Page 3***

Your ballot on the bylaw amendment must be received at the club address by the September 14 mail or in person by 7:00 PM at the club meeting.

CLUB INFORMATION

Amateur Radio Exam Sessions

Volunteer Examiners, members of OTVARC, will provide monthly amateur radio examination sessions effective with the October 1st session.

Carl Clawson, WS7L, is being joined by Kevin Bersch, KE7VIN, as a VE team leader. They will provide leadership for even and odd numbered months respectively.

Sessions will continue to be offered at 1:00 pm on the first Saturday of the month at Ronler Acres Fire Station, 4455 NW 229th Ave, Hillsboro, across from Hillsboro Stadium.

This year, remaining exam sessions are:
October 1 • November 5 • December 3

Pre-register for exams by contacting Carl, WS7L, at ws7l@arrl.net or by phone at 503.629.5796.

There are other exam opportunities in the area. Send an email to w7otv@arrl.net for locations and times.

Happy September Birthday

1 Thomas Hill WA3RMX
3 Adam Ferriss KD7TQ
7 Luther Brisky KC7KVL
14 Neil McKie WA6KLA
15 Dale Planer KA7TZU
16 Bob Heath KD7OHF
20 Catherine Lapay N7GCL
23 Ryan Heath KD7QZL
28 Michael Darnell KD7TOZ
28 Dick Lukins KD7YGB

Updates and corrections to w6abm@arrl.net

HAMFests

30 Sepember - 2 October 2005
Pacific Northwest VHF Conference
Shilo Inns Oceanfront Hotel & Conference Center
Seaside, Oregon
Pacific Northwest VHF Society
Jim Aguirre, W7DHC
6820 Tranquil Lane
Lynden, WA 98264
Phone: 360-398-9875
Email: secretary@pnwvhfs.org
http://www.conference.pnwvhfs.org/

22 October 2005
Swap-Toberfest
Polk County Fairgrounds
Rickreall Oregon
Mid-Valley ARES
http://www.swaptoberfest.net
PO Box 931
Lafayette Oregon 97127
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16 - 18 June 2006
***SEA-PAC* '06**
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2006 CLUB ELECTIONS

This year's election will fill four officer and three trustee positions on the nine-member Board of Directors. The election committee has been appointed: *Phil Kane K2ASP*; *John Anderson KA7BRZ*; and *Claire Johnson N7CM* will serve the club in this role in the current election cycle.

The Bylaws call for four officers (President; Vice President; Secretary; and Treasurer) and up to five trustees. Officers are elected for one-year terms. Trustees serve two-year terms. All may succeed themselves. Any member of the club in good standing who holds a valid amateur radio license may be considered for election.

The Board of Directors is responsible for guiding the club through the year. Boards meet once a month [or more] to consider club business. Meetings are open to all club members. They are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, currently at Fire Station 67 in Beaverton, at 7:00 pm.

The president's role carries responsibility for convening meetings, appointing committees and interest chairs, representing the club at community and amateur radio events, and providing the "vision" for the club's purposes. The vice president backs up the president and serves as program chairman. The secretary maintains club records and validates the membership list for election and other purposes. The treasurer maintains the financial records of the club and provides current status information to the Board.

Consider a "YES!" when approached to serve.

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TECHNICIAN CLASSES

A three-session class for those who wish to earn an *Amateur Radio Technician Class* license will be held September 10, 17 and 24. Classes will be held from 1:00 to 4:00 pm in the conference room [enter from the rear] at Fire Station 67, 13810 SW Farmington Rd, Beaverton. There is no charge for the classes.

Information: John 503.452.2459

LUNCH BUNCH

Want to get acquainted with other OTVARC Members?

Join Us for the September Lunch Bunch
Saturday, September 24th at 1:00 pm

Yan's Chinese
12265 SW Main Street
Tigard, Oregon 97223
[West of OR 217, just off US 99W]

Questions?
Linda Sutton KC7YTD
kb7pvw@arrl.net or 503.246.8879

PARAGRAPHS from Page 1

Candidates for president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and 3 trustee positions must be found. Please welcome the call from a member of the committee and consider running for office.

In this issue of the Oscillator you will find a proposed amendment to the club constitution to make it clear that the club board can delegate responsibilities, such as SEA-PAC, to committees. This way those serving on these committee will be under of the club's insurance. Please vote yes on approving the amendment.

Happy September!

Don

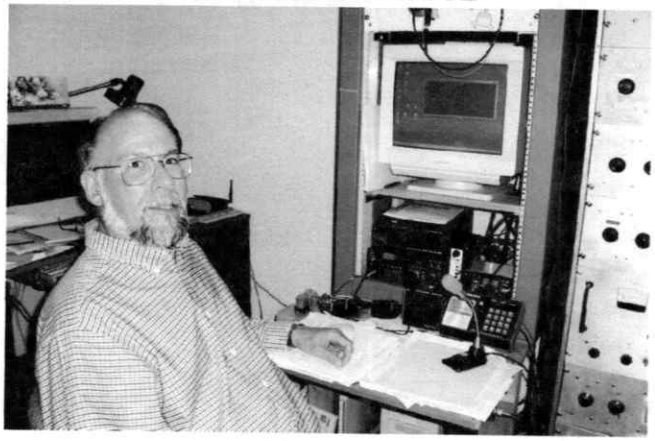
Travelers' September Campout

Join *Barb KA7WTF* and *Tom KA7NAM* for the TRAVELERS' September Campout at Waterloo County Park, located east of Lebanon. The campout will be September 16 - 18, 2005. The Baileys serve as wagon masters for the September campout. You may reach them at 503.538.2266 for information.

Waterloo County Park is located off Oregon Highway 20, about 18 miles east of Interstate 5. From the Portland area, travel south on I-5 to Exit 228 - OR Highway 20 - the Lebanon exit. Travel east on Highway 20 thirteen miles through Lebanon – and beyond about five miles. Watch for Waterloo County Park signage.

For general information about The Travelers' contact Betty Mickley N7REX at 503.642.1284 or by email at n7rex@teleport.com

Carl Clawson WS7L



Photography by Ron O'Connor KD7VIK

Have you checked out the club web site recently?

The web is one of our communications tools. It serves as an introduction to our events and achievements -- as well as a reference for club members.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF THE OTVARC CONSITUTION

Proposed that **Article III DUTIES OF OFFICERS Section E** be <u>amended</u> as follows:

Present wording:

The TRUSTEE shall be a member in good standing elected by the general membership. Their number can and may vary: but shall not exceed five (5). They shall hold the club's Amateur Radio License, if any. All shall hold title to property, real, personal, or mixed which the corporation may acquire.

Proposed wording:

Each TRUSTEE shall be a member in good standing elected by the general membership. Their number can and may vary but shall not exceed five (5).

AUTHORS' STATEMENT

The present wording of the club's Constitution and By-Laws is vague as to the duties of the club trustees and Board and specifically does not provide for the committees which we all know make the club function.

The proposed amendments would define those duties and responsibilities and would delegate authority to committees formed and operating under the Board's direction.

In addition, the present wording of the Constitution reads that one of the trustees shall be the club's FCC license "trustee." This would require that a modification of the club's FCC station license be made every time that the named trustee is replaced with someone else.

The proposed amendments would enable someone who is not on the club Board to be designated by the Board as the club's FCC license "trustee" and as a result that person can serve even when club trustees change.

There is no fiscal impact of these amendments and I urge the club membership to adopt them to bring the Constitution into line with these present club practices which have been found to be essential to the smooth running of the club.

Philip M. Kane, K2ASP - OTVARC Trustee. Supported by Don Stettler KK7TN, Robert Crocker WN7O, Alvin B. Carlson KB7VHI, and Howard Merritt KD7ZLF.

Proposed that **Article III DUTLES OF OFFICERS Section F** be <u>added</u> as follows:

The officers and trustees enumerated herein shall constitute the Board of Directors and provide day-to-day guidance in the operation of the club. The Board shall hold title to all real, personal, or mixed property which the corporation may acquire. The Board shall hold the club's Amateur Radio License, if any, and shall by resolution designate one club member as License Trustee as required by the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Communications Commission. The License Trustee need not be one of the members of the Board. The Board shall have the power to designate and constitute permanent and ad-hoc operating committees of the club by resolution, and shall designate the powers, limitations, and general and specific responsibilities of each such committee as necessary.

PROCESS FOR VOTING ON PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Article VI of our Constitution states that a proposed amendment will be submitted to the Board in writing, signed by the submitting member(s) known as the "author(s)" and at least four other full/family-full members. The Board is to review the proposal and respond to the author(s) no later than the third regular meeting after submission recommending that the proposal be submitted for review and vote by the general membership (with or without revisions) or that the proposal be withdrawn.

If the author(s) agree that the proposal be submitted to the general membership, the Board submits the matter to the general membership by mail not later than the second regular club meeting after the author(s)' concurrence.

The proposed amendment(s) shall be published in the club's Newsletter and the membership votes acceptance or rejection by ballot contained in the Newsletter. The author(s) shall publish a written statement of no more than 200 words including the purpose and intent of the proposed amendment(s).

A majority of 2/3 of the votes received by the next regular club meeting is required for ratification. The written statement is found in the next column. The proposed amendments are on this page above. Your ballot is on Page 6. Photo-copies are acceptable if all member names are included on envelope outside.

CLUB MEETING
SEPTEMBER 14TH

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RATIFICATION OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF OREGON TUALATIN VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB.

Two-thirds of votes cast in favor of the proposals by the September 14, 2005 meeting of members is required to ratify the amendments.

☐ I wish to cast my vote **IN FAVOR** of ratification of amendments to the Constitution of Oregon Tualatin Valley Amateur Radio Club.

☐ I wish to cast my vote **AGAINST** ratification of amendments to the Constitution of Oregon Tualatin Valley Amateur Radio Club.

Your name must appear on the exterior of the ballot mailing envelope. The envelope and ballot will be separated so confidentiality is maintained. Mail this ballot to:

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